

Production of a new dairy product enriched with antioxidants from grape pomace and berries

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GOAL OF THE STUDY

The main aim is utilization of the grape pomace, dried up as a waste after winemaking and its application in producing bioactive and furthermore a novel yogurt enriched with antioxidants, including polyphenols from grape pomace and berries. This will improve its nutritional value, contribute to food preservation and significantly reducing the risk of diseases. In fact, the purpose was to introduce a new natural source of bioactive and antioxidant, a new source of antioxidants obtained from pomace of Macedonian grapes for the first time, and engage these compounds (polyphenols) in preparation of a new yogurt product. It proved to be not only longer and more beneficial for human health than the traditional one, while the antioxidant also a great role in the prevention of cardiovascular diseases, cancer etc.

INTRODUCTION

- The largest fraction of winery waste is pomace, that is thrown away empty as to landfill.
- During the management of these wastes there is production of greenhouse gases (GHG), which could be taken into account. When following the spirit and one become some without environmental problems if not disposed of properly [1].
- There is a growing interest by the consumers in foods that are recognized as beneficial for human health because they are either low fat, or contain bioactive materials which reduce the risk of diseases.
- Clearly, these foods should be appealing, taste good, low in price and, most importantly for consumer acceptability, should contain all-natural ingredients, in a single, easily-consumable product.



MATERIALS & METHODS

- Extraction of polyphenolic compounds from samples
 - about 10 g of each sample (Zapadne, Karstine, Prokup, Jovane, Blagovir, Arina) were weighed;
 - the extraction was performed using 100 ml of extraction solvent (ethanol:water:acetic acid = 80:20:1, v/v/v);
 - this mixture was stirred for 30 min by using magnetic stir bar;
 - both supernatants brought in a final volume of 200 ml with distilled water;
 - all extractions for each grape sample were performed in triplicate;
 - the extracts were filtered, to eliminate the acid residues of the samples used.
- Determination of total polyphenols
 - the Folin-Ciocalteu method was used for determination of the total amount of polyphenols in each of the 6 samples [2].
- Determination of total anthocyanins
 - the determination of total anthocyanins was applied by the method proposed by Gi Bazzani et al. (1992) [3].
- Concentration of the extracts with ultrafiltration
 - from each phenolic extract (200 ml) different volumes were taken: 100 ml, 50 ml and 100 ml;
 - these were vaporized to the formation of dry extracts;
 - each dry extract was reconstituted in 2 ml of distilled water.



Application of phenolic dry extracts in milk during fermentation

- 2 (10 ml without dry additives) was substituted on a temperature of 85-90°C, without getting boiled;
- purified yogurt was added as a source of lactic bacteria;
- the milk was separated; 100 ml milk was put into 18 plastic glasses, followed with addition of polyphenolic extract with different concentrations;
- for every sample 3 different lots were obtained (1-10, 1-50 and 1-100) containing different phenolic concentrations.



Application of phenolic dry extracts after fermentation i.e. in yogurt

- 1 (milk was at first pasteurized at 85-90°C and after cooling at 20-40°C the milk, karstine (purified yogurt) was added);
- the whole milk was fermented and then, the obtained yogurt was divided into 18 plastic glasses, followed with addition of polyphenolic extracts with different concentrations obtaining 3 different lots (1-10, 1-50 and 1-100) for each sample.



Measurement of the new yogurt

- all yogurt samples were kept for a period of 1 month at 4°C and pH measurements were performed at every 2 days during the first 2 weeks, and then, at every 7th day.

RESULTS

Spectrophotometric Analysis

Sample	1A average value	2A average value	
1-Zapadne	13.5	1-Zapadne	87.88
2-Karstine	15.51	2-Karstine	76.49
3-Prokup	127.69	3-Prokup	245.52
4-Jovane	170.38	4-Jovane	255.07
5-Blagovir	218.37	5-Blagovir	182.31
6-Arina	228.88	6-Arina	421.88

Biological Analysis of the new product

- this new yogurt samples had their creamy texture, with no changes in the color, flavor, no bitterness or sourness in the taste was observed;
- the color was slightly differing, between the samples and the concentration.



Microbiological analysis of the obtained yogurt products

- to check the quality and the quality of the new yogurt, the following 3 samples (Zapadne 1 - 100 before fermentation, Jovane 4 - 100 before fermentation, Arina 6 - 100 before fermentation; Control 1) were tested for lactic acid bacteria, *Streptococcus* species, *Escherichia coli* and counting of colonies of microorganisms; their presence was proved to be negative.



pH - variation of the obtained yogurt

Table 1: pH values of the control yogurt without dry additives

Control	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Control	4.11	4.22	4.40	4.55	4.62	4.65	4.65

Table 2: pH values of yogurt with polyphenols

Polyphenols added (Concentration)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Zapadne	4.11	4.22	4.40	4.55	4.62	4.65	4.65
Karstine	4.11	4.22	4.40	4.55	4.62	4.65	4.65
Prokup	4.11	4.22	4.40	4.55	4.62	4.65	4.65
Jovane	4.11	4.22	4.40	4.55	4.62	4.65	4.65
Blagovir	4.11	4.22	4.40	4.55	4.62	4.65	4.65
Arina	4.11	4.22	4.40	4.55	4.62	4.65	4.65



DISCUSSION

Three different concentrations of polyphenols were incorporated and applied on a home-made yogurt during and after fermentation. As a future work I suggest using other types of grape pomace and applying different solvents for extraction, the polyphenols can be applied on another type of milk and yogurt culture can be added before fermentation.

CONCLUSION

Phytoex contains the highest amount of both polyphenols and anthocyanins, while Zapadne has the lowest. The yogurt with polyphenols added during fermentation, presented more stable pH values and the yogurts with the highest phenolic concentration - 100 ml, showed best results. Zapadne has shown the highest results (pH=4.4 to 4.65) for all concentrations, while Jovane has shown the lowest. The new product has an appealing taste, lacking of bitterness and sourness and without any unpleasant taste. This laboratory test of the products stated that no harmful bacteria are present.

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